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THE PHILADELPHIA THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE
INAUGURAL CONFERENCE
June 26, 1980, 8 p.m.

+ All stand

Bishop: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn 278

+ All seated

Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:17 - 6:2 one baptismal priesthood

Homily: Bishop Ogilby

Hymn 376

+ The Dean and the Director of the Institute now stand before the Bishop who addresses them as follows:

My brothers, on behalf of the people and clergy of this diocese, you have been charged with a special care and responsibility in helping us, through study and reflection, to discern and articulate the ministry of the risen Christ which becomes ours through baptism. Will you be faithful to this trust and seek to bring forth things both old and new for the upbuilding of the household of faith and the equiping of its members for service in the name of him who made himself the servant of all?

+ The Dean and Director reply:

We will.

+ The Bishop addresses the people:

Will all of you taking part in this conference be faithful to the leadings of the Spirit in your own life, bearing witness thereby to the new act of creation in which we share through our union with Christ in his death and resurrection?

+ The people reply:

We will

+ The Bishop continues:

May that same Spirit strengthen and guide you, making you strong, loving and wise; and may this Institute through all who shape and participate in its life become an effective instrument of Christ's redeeming and transforming love.

+ The people reply:

Amen.

Bishop: Let us pray (silent)

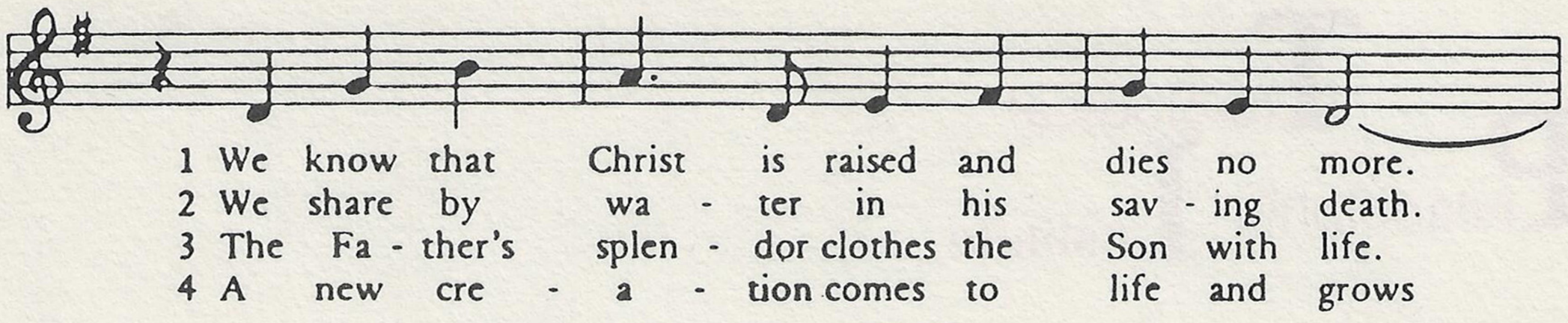
Lord God, give the fulness of your blessing to this Institute, its Dean and its Director, and to us all who have been baptized into the death and resurrection of your Son. May we be faithful to him who has shared with us his priesthood, and in whom all things are being made new, Jesus, our brother and one Lord, who has taught us to pray to you with boldness and confidence:

Lord's Prayer

Let us bless the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Closing hymn (printed on reverse side)


1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows
Em-braced by death, he broke its fear - ful hold;
Re - born we share with him an East - er life,
The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the church of God.
as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.
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and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ.
Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One.
The u - ni - verse re - stored and
4.
Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!
whole will sing: Al - le - lu - ia!

Ministry is Everybody's Business
The Inaugural Address
The Very Reverend James C. Fenhagen

Following the service the Dean of the Institute, The Rev. James C. Ransom, will greet the participants in the conference and introduce the Inaugural Speaker, The Very Rev. James C. Fenhagen, Dean of the General Theological Seminary in New York.

Responding to Dean Fenhagen will be The Rev. Leo von Everbroeck, Director of the Graduate Division in Religious Education of LaSalle College, and The Rev. Joseph R. Washington, Director of the Afro-American Studies Program of the University of Pennsylvania.

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--Please register for the conference at the tables provided at the rear of the chapel.
--Ushers will be pleased to assist participants with information regarding the location and use of facilities at Episcopal Academy.
--A table of books and other resources is available at the rear of the chapel. These resources may be purchased from persons supervising the table.
--Registration for seminars begins at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow morning. The seminars begin promptly at 10 a.m. Anyone is welcome to attend any of the five seminars.